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1. a school for teaching the Russian language was opened in the Soviet Permanent Exhibition building in Addis Ababa at the end of April 1950. Classes are held twice a week, on Tuesday and Friday evenings and, while at present only the Russian language is taught, as soon as the students have sufficient knowledge of that, subjects such as history and economics will be taught.

2. As of 25 May 1950, the school had an enrollment of approximately sixty students, all of whom are young Ethiopians who were recruited by personnel of the Soviet Legation and Ethiopian employees of the Permanent Exhibition and the Dejamatch Balcha Hospital. the teacher is Madame Amessia Soukiassian, an Armenian and the wife of a local engineer, who has lived in Ethiopia for about twenty-five years. Madame Soukiassian was employed in 1947 as an interpreter at the Soviet Legation in Addis Ababa.

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3. some of the students have been offered scholarships for study in the Soviet Union and the satellite countries when they successfully complete their language studies. Others expect to receive local employment at the Soviet Permanent Exhibition or Hospital.

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